

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The drawings and abstract have been corrected to overcome the objections noted by the Examiner.

Claims 15 and 23 have been amended to place them in better form.

Claims 28 and 31 have been amended to include proper antecedent basis.

Claims 26, 29 and 32 stand rejected as being anticipated by De Minco et al. In order to distinguish these claims over De Minco et al, they have been amended to claim the engine control as being in an internal combustion engine having a mechanical speed sensing governor and wherein the governor sensor or engine speed sensor are coupled to the governor. A mechanical speed sensing governor in the context of the present application is a well known device that is mechanically linked to the engine and provides a mechanical output relating to engine speed. Such governors include speed sensing mechanisms, such as an air vane mechanism or a centrifugal flyweight mechanism.

With the amendments to Claims 26, 29 and 32, it is submitted that they are neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by De Minco et al. which does not disclose a mechanical speed sensing governor.

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It is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance. However, if further issues, it is requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned at 460-260-1692.

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Amendments to the Drawings

The attached replacement sheets of drawings have been changed to correct the misspelling of "Throttle" in Figs. 6A and 6B and "Separator" in Figs. 12 and 13.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets
Annotated Sheets Showing Changes Made

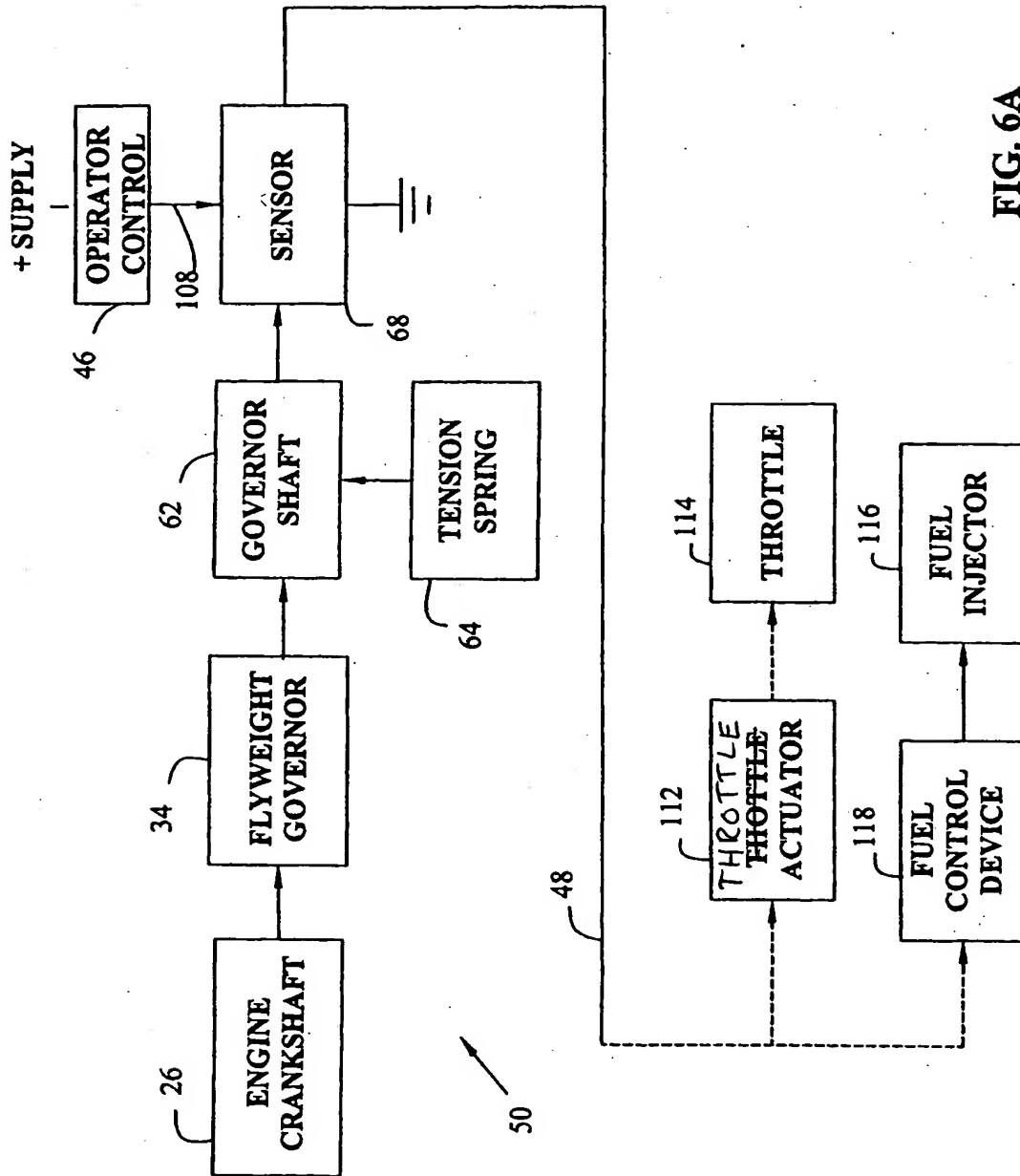


FIG. 6A

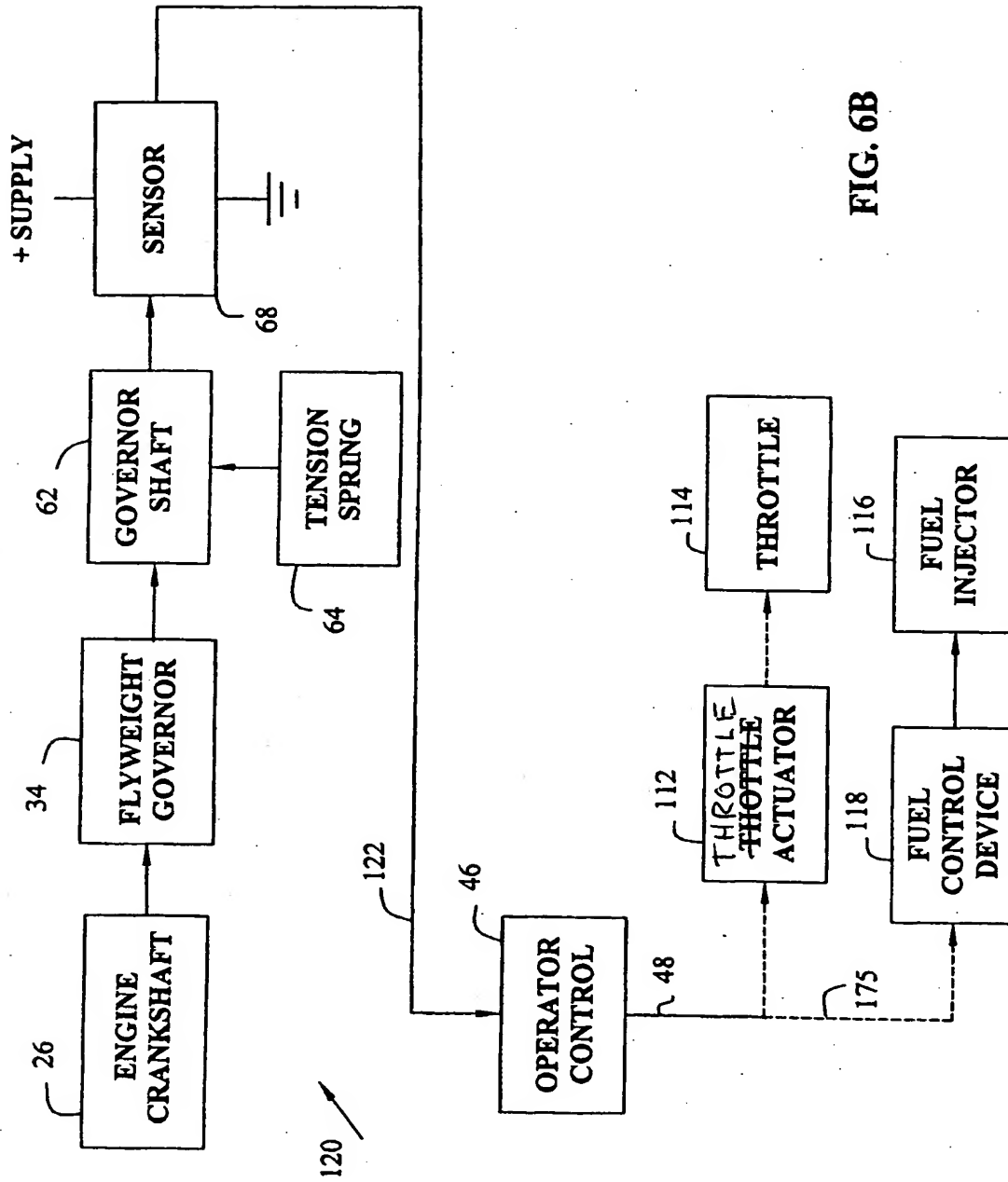


FIG. 6B

